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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. [X] Fee Transmittal Form

(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)

2. [X] Specification [Total Pages 29] (preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- **Detailed Description**
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure
- 3. [X] Drawing(s) /35 USC 113/ |Total sheets - 7|
- 4. Oath or Declaration

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- a. [] Newly executed (original or copy)
- Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) 15. (for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)

[Note Box 5 below]

i. [] DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. [X] Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)

> The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

[] Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

- Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. || Computer Readable Copy
 - b. [] Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
 - c. [] Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- -11 Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement -11

II Power of Attorney

- (when there is an assignee)
- 10. [] English Translation Document (if applicable)
- 11. |X| Information Disclosure
- II Copies of IDS Citations
- Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 12. [X] Preliminary Amendment
- 13. [X] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

(Should be specifically itemized)

- 14. 11 Small Entity Statement(s)
 - [] Statement filed in prior application, Status still proper and desired
- Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

(if foreign priority is claimed)

16. || Other

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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